

### **REMARKS**

This responds to the Office Action dated on October 28, 2005, and the references cited therewith.

Claims 55 is amended herein, claims 61-64 are cancelled; as a result, claims 1-30 and 49-58 are now pending in this application.

#### **§112 Rejection of the Claims**

Claims 55-58 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for indefiniteness.

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. Applicants amend claim 55 herein to clarify the subject matter that Applicants believe to be the subject of their invention.

On page 2 of the Office Action mailed October 28, 2005, the Examiner states that claims 54-58 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 second paragraph, but on page 1 and elsewhere on page 2, it is stated that claim 54 is allowed. Claim 55, prior to the amendment provided herein, was dependent on cancelled claims 31-48 *inter alia*. Claim 55 is amended herein to exclude the cancelled claims from the list of antecedent claims. It is believed that this amendment renders the Examiner's rejection moot. Applicants respectfully request that Examiner withdraw the rejections.

Claims 61-64 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly lacking adequate description or enablement.

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. To facilitate the examination of the present application, Applicants cancel claims 61-64, but reserve the right to present them in a continuation application at a later date.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6968 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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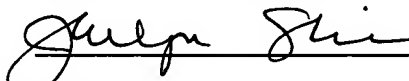
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